



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Gong and Kufe (*as amended herein*)  
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/782,492 EXAMINER : Qian J. Li  
FILING DATE : February 12, 2001 ART UNIT : 1632  
FOR : CELL FUSIONS AND METHODS OF MAKING AND USING THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

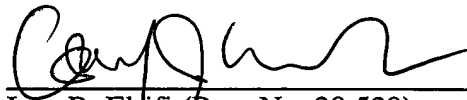
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the Office action mailed December 18, 2003 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before May 18, 2004. A check in the amount of \$420.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2) is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Reference No. 20363-004. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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